

### IN THE CLAIMS

1(currently amended). A communication device comprising  
means for receiving a call signal from a remote source,  
an audible ring generator for activating a ring signal  
responsive to the receipt of the call signal,  
deactivation means for turning off an activated ring signal,  
and  
means for operating said deactivation means to turn ~~of~~ off a  
ring signal by striking the communication device.

2(currently amended). A communication device according to claim 1,  
wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn  
off a ring signal by striking the communication device comprises  
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when  
the communication device is struck,  
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and  
producing a control signal and  
ringer control means for actuating said means for operating  
said deactivation means to turn ~~of~~ off a ring signal by striking  
the communication device upon the receipt of a control signal.

3(currently amended). A communication device according to claim 1,  
wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn  
off a ring signal by striking the communication device comprises  
microphone means for receiving environmental noise,  
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when  
the received environmental noise corresponds to noise resulting  
from the striking of the communication device,  
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and  
producing a control signal and  
ringer control means for actuating said means for operating  
said deactivation means to turn ~~of~~ off a ring signal by striking the  
communication device upon the receipt of a control signal.

4(original). A communication device according to claim 1, wherein said communication device is a mobile phone.

5(original). A portable device comprising  
an audible alert generator for activating an alert signal responsive to the user of some required action,  
deactivation means for turning off an activated alert signal,  
and  
means for operating said deactivation means to turn off the alert signal by striking the communication device.

6(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off the alert signal by striking the device comprises  
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when the device is struck,  
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and producing a control signal and  
alert control means for actuating said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off an alert signal by striking the device upon the receipt of a control signal.

7(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off an alert signal by striking the device comprises  
microphone means for receiving environmental noise,  
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when the received environmental noise corresponds to noise resulting from the striking of the device,  
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and producing a control signal and  
alert control means for actuating said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off an alert signal by striking the device upon the receipt of a control signal.

8(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein the action taken after the contact has been detected is programmable.

9(original). A device according to claim 5, where there is a pattern of interaction from the user to select a programmable action by the device.

10(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said communication device is a mobile phone.

11(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said device is a personal digital assistant (PDA).

12(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said device is a personal mobile device.